

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE RECEIVING AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WIND TURBINES

WHEREAS, the City of Ankeny has received or expects to receive requests to site wind turbines within the municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ankeny has a responsibility to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare by regulating the siting of wind turbines; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ankeny believes that it is best able to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare through adoption of an ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Ankeny believes that an emergency exists in that applications will be received and the City has no ordinance in place to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Ankeny; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ankeny believes that it is necessary to impose a moratorium on the receiving and processing of the Special Use Permits to enable it to prepare, discuss, and adopt a wind turbine ordinance; and

WHEREAS, during the period of the moratorium, the City of Ankeny shall not accept or process applications for Special Use Permits for wind turbines.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ankeny, Iowa, that there is imposed a moratorium on the receiving and processing of applications for Special Use Permits for the siting of wind turbines within the municipal boundaries.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the period of the moratorium shall be sixty (60) days from the date of this Resolution.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is directed to begin the process of establishing a wind turbine ordinance with the intent to have an ordinance in place upon termination of the period of moratorium.

DATED this 15th day of February, 2010.

STEVEN VANOORT - MAYOR

ATTEST:

PAMELA DeMOUTH - CITY CLERK